

**'McMurtry a cop-out' on civilian review**

# Pressure builds for police changes

By Paul Weinberg

Provincial Attorney-General Roy McMurtry has finally bowed to growing political pressure to change the civilian complaint procedure against the Metro Toronto police.

However, he has rejected demands by city politicians, ethnic and community groups to set up an independent civilian review board to govern the conduct of the police.

And McMurtry has not responded to demands by members of city council, in-

cluding Mayor John Sewell, to change the Metro Police Commission. Three of its five members are appointed by Queen's Park.

"It's all a cop-out," says Brent Hawkes, a pastor at the Metropolitan Community Church and a member of the Working Group on Minority-Police Relations, a coalition of ethnic, gay and community groups.

Bromley Armstrong, another working group member and an Ontario Human Rights commission, says McMurtry's

proposals do not go far enough to calm the concerns of the black community.

"Some of the media have been responsible," says Armstrong, "but others have described the situation as 'the blacks versus the community.'

"It is not just the blacks who have been mistreated by police officers," he adds. "This also involves gays, white poor, South Asians . . ."

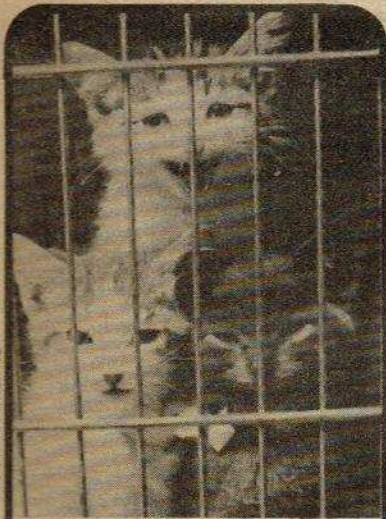
Relations between the Metro police and various minority groups in Toronto have been worsening in the past few

years; but it took the August 27 shooting of Jamaican immigrant Albert Johnson in his Manchester Ave. home to cause a major controversy.

All three dailies began questioning police firearm procedures. Eight people, including two blacks, have been shot by Metro police in the past year.

"I'm not sure about the kind of model I want to see in the civilian complaint procedure," McMurtry told a delegation of the working group on September 12.

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Robin Williams

**Is no one safe?**

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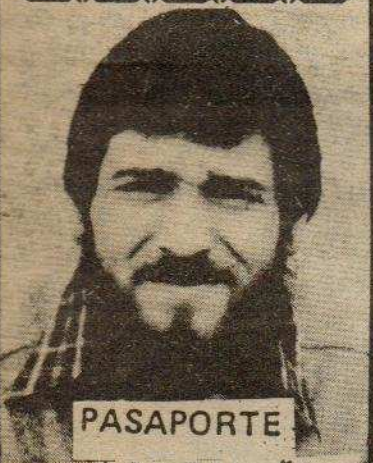


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Remember how we had to make sure we bought only "union grapes"? Caesar Chavez explains why we should now do the same for lettuce.

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Galindo Madrid, a Chilean refugee awaits a decision on whether he can stay in Canada. For his story and more about his passport designation see page 12



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Ken Brown

The decorated tricycle and bike parade was a great success at the Bain Avenue Street Fair, September 8. The residents of Bain Avenue have held a festival since 1974.

This year 200 adults and children enjoyed the fun. Equal time was put into planning activities for children and adults.

## Dene demands are denied

By Carl Stieren

FORT PROVIDENCE, NWT—The federal government has bowed to the demands of the oil and mining companies instead of upholding the interests of the native peoples of the Northwest Territories.

After a meeting with Indian Affairs Minister Jake Epp, spokespeople from the Dene National Committee at the recent national assembly in this Mackenzie River community west of Great Slave Lake, said their requests had been opposed. Twenty-six Dene communities in the Mackenzie Valley had sent 300 representatives to the Dene Assembly over Labour Day weekend, at which Epp had spoken.

"Epp promised us co-operation and less than six hours later he announced a series of decisions in Yellowknife which directly contradict everything our chiefs and councillors told him in Fort Providence," a Dene spokesperson said.

The leaders of the 15,000-member Dene Nation said the same entrenched Indian Af-

fairs bureaucracy seemed to be in control, despite the change in government last May.

"They have always seen the land claims process as simply one of developing a real estate transaction, exchanging land for money," a spokesperson said.

"Political and constitutional development in the Mackenzie Valley has been deliberately misinterpreted by them as racist and separatist.

"Now we find the Minister travelling with these people and making statements based on advice from them."

Specifically, the Dene are angry about Epp's announcement of "a decade of expansion based on oil, gas and mineral development," after their chiefs had asked him to halt major developments until land claims were settled. Epp said that negotiations on land claims and development could proceed at the same time.

Another sell-out of Dene interests came when Epp announced that "Canada intends to transfer more responsibility to the Northwest Territories."

"We explained our position on the illegitimacy of the Territorial Council and that we did not recognize it as our government," said Dene Nation leader George Erasmus.

Erasmus said he was surprised at Epp's complaints about delays in negotiations and an alleged lack of specifics in the Agreement in Principle proposed by the Dene.

"We want to make it abundantly clear that the Dene are ready for a settlement. We want an early decision. We are willing to start negotiations immediately," Erasmus said.

"We have presented your predecessors with a detailed proposal, accompanied by more than 2,000 pages of documentation," he told Epp.

"I suppose if we had wanted to settle for a James Bay formula, we could have done that five years ago, but we wanted recognition of our rights, involvement in decision-making and establishment of Dene political institutions which would entrench and protect our rights, rather than extinguishing them," Erasmus stated.

# Cindy Fortunata



**Winners every time.** Prime Minister Joey, "in keeping with the government's organizational and personnel priorities", just announced the appointment of Grant Reuber as the new Deputy Minister of Finance. Reuber was the Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist for the Bank of Montreal. Some priority. Expect soon to pay your taxes with Master Charge.

**Sixty lies a minute.** A usually reliable source in Ottawa tells me that about a year ago, the RCMP approached the IBM company to ask for samples of typefaces used in ten foreign embassies in Ottawa. Apparently, not all of the embassies were of Communist countries.

The request was withdrawn when IBM refused to agree to keep the matter a secret.

**All the news that fits.** Heard recently on Canada's all news radio network, CKO: "The CLC is supporting the boycott of goods to the left-wing dictatorship in Chile." Too bad the CRTC doesn't insist on accuracy when it hands out the licenses.

**There's a lot in a name.** A dispatcher for Metro Ambulance Services was demoted when during the inquest into the police shooting of Buddy Evans it was revealed that the dispatcher had made disparaging remarks about the dead man, and had referred to him as a "nigger".

Now, I wonder when the police are going to be disciplined for using terms like "jungle bunny", "hockey puck", and "nigger" over the police radios to describe black citizens of Toronto. Toronto.

**Lean times indeed.** Some interesting figures have just come my way from the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, concerning the price of ground beef in supermarkets.

The wholesale price to the chains of medium ground (17 to 23 per cent fat) has almost doubled over the past two years, but the stores' gross retail profit margin on the same beef has risen 316 per cent over the same period.

**Speaking of which.** I vote this year's corporal-general's literary award to a first class bit of genuine Canadian folk poetry:

Dief the Chief  
Is now  
A side of beef - anonymous postal worker

# Pressure mounts

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"However I think the Maloney Report makes a lot of sense."

Four years ago, Arthur Maloney, then the provincial ombudsman, criticized the police complaint bureau, but he rejected the concept of an independent civilian review board.

Instead he suggested that a commissioner of civilian complaints should be appointed to hear the complaints, a group of specialized police officers should investigate them, and a legal tribunal should hear serious accusations of police misconduct.

The definition of what constitutes a serious complaint would be left to the judgement of the civilian complaints commissioner.

## Bill rejected

"In 1977 John MacBeth (then the provincial attorney-general) introduced a bill to set up a commissioner of civilian complaints, province-wide, but police officers throughout the province rejected it," McMurry reminded the working group delegation.

However, the Metro Toronto Board of Police Commissioners went on record in 1975 as supporting the concept of a commissioner of civilian complaints.

McMurry would not elaborate his proposals for civilian complaint procedure — he said he wanted a consensus from Metro politicians about what procedure the province should legislate.

However, he agreed with Arthur Maloney that police officers, not civilians, should do the preliminary investigation of a civilian's complaint about police misconduct.

"What I am talking about falls short of what are asking," he told the delegation.

Bromley Armstrong replied that he did not want to wait for a consensus.

## Long Wait for legislation

"We have been waiting for years. It is time you and your ministry showed some leadership. Perhaps since the provincial government is considering changing the legislation behind the Ontario Human Rights Commission, you might let the

Commission investigate police complaints," he suggested.

McMurry was upset by the statements of Armstrong and of Dudley Laws, a member of the Universal African Improvement Association, who both claim that there is an explosive situation in the city.

**More on the police — Quebec, Philadelphia, Natives and Toronto. See page 10.**

"By our actions," said McMurry, "I hope we do not drive a wedge between the large percentage of our community who do respect the police in this city, and those who complain. I fear a gulf which will be difficult to bridge in the future."

## Don't belong

"The Metro police commission has been driving the wedge," said Brent Hawkes.

# Inquest probes risk at Outward Bound

By Don Anderson

The recent death of a young Ontarian at a wilderness camp has sparked an investigation of similar camp operations and programs in the province.

An inquest October 2 into the death last summer of Mark Bateman, 14, of East York, will examine more than just that single incident, according to Richard Johnston, NDP MPP for Scarborough West.

Johnston called for an investigation of the Outward Bound Wilderness Schools in Ontario after Bateman's death, the thirteenth death to occur in the schools' North American camps since 1964.

"Outward Bound does some good things . . . gets people to meet challenges. It's a good idea in theory, but I'm concerned about the way it's being done in

Dudley Laws added that Judge Philip Givens and Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey have no business on the police commission.

"These two men," said Laws, "have acted irresponsibly. They have inflamed the community."

One of the working group's demands is that the police officers who shot Albert Johnson be charged with murder.

"I am a bit disturbed by this demand," McMurry told the delegation. "That is prejudging the current Ontario Provincial Police investigation into the circumstances surrounding his death."

## Badge protects

However Margaret Gittens, another black member of the working group, had the last word.

"If Johnson had been shot by a civilian, that civilian would already have been charged with murder."

The confrontation between McMurry and the working group was preceded on September 11 by a meeting of 700 people at Central Technical School. Several resolutions on police-community relations were passed at that meeting.

practice," Johnston says.

"Although each Outward Bound operation works independently, the similarities of approach should not be underplayed," he adds.

One of the previous Outward Bound deaths was also in Ontario, in 1971, during a program run by the Minnesota branch four years before the Ontario school began functioning.

Other deaths were reported in Colorado, Washington, California, Minnesota, and Oregon. Information on these fatalities was sent to Johnston's attention by the mother of one of the victims.

In 1977, about 6,800 young people took part in Outward Bound programs. Two deaths occurred that year; three the following year.

Johnston says that an increasing number of secondary school students are participating in programs of this type, and there is a need for setting standards for their operation.

"We need to set up accreditation for these high risk activities, especially touring groups," Johnston says. "I am pleased that the Ontario Coroner is looking at the broad picture in light of the Bateman death. The Ministry of Natural Resources is also contributing to improving the situation by giving money for a meeting in November."

Outward Bound Schools began in the United Kingdom during the 1930's as a survival training course organization. The British continue their connection with the 34 North American camps by sending young people from the U.K. during the summer.

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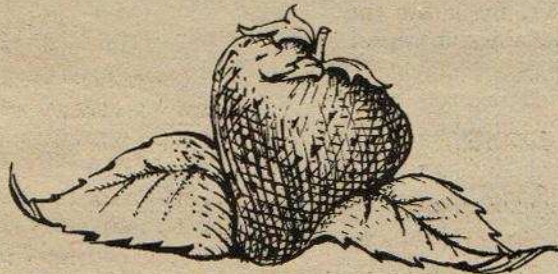
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# Steelworkers back Radio Shack boycott

The United Steelworkers of America are kicking off a consumer boycott of Radio Shack products to force the company to deal fairly with some of its workers.

The boycott was announced after 200 employees of Tandy Electronics Ltd.-Radio Shack in Barrie went on strike early in August. Union recognition is the main issue in the strike, which follows a two-year-long organizing drive at the company's Barrie operation.

According to Stewart Cooke, director of District 6 of the Steelworkers, during the organizing drive "the employer cynically and systematically oper-

ated in defiance of Ontario's labour relations laws in order to deny its employees the right to union security and a fair collective agreement."

Cooke pointed out that one of the two bargaining units involved in the dispute was certified under a section of the Labour Relations Act which provides for certification when illegal actions by the employer make a free certification vote impossible.

Cooke criticized the provincial government for failing to introduce legislation which would provide for automatic check-off of union dues after certification by the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

"It is this omission in law that gives to the employer a final opportunity to unshackle ordinary democratic process by refusing, after certification, to recognize the union chosen by the employees," he said.

Cooke said he is confident the boycott will have a real impact on the extensive operations of the Radio Shack chain.

"These people sell a product that is easily identified for the consumer, and we have an issue that will gain quick support from both the public and members of the trade union movement in this country."

Radio Shack's Canadian operation involves 400 stores, with \$150 million annually in sales.



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## But will women walk the dog?

# York workers settle

The York University Staff Administration has won a new contract with the university administration.

The one-year contract, approved by a 95 per cent margin in a ratification vote September 6, will give the union members an 8.5 per cent or \$875 per year across-the-board increase, whichever is greater.

York University, which is operating at a \$1.4 million surplus this year, had initially offered a 6.3 per cent increase to some workers and 7.8 per cent to others.

The agreement was reached during a mediation session held after YUSA members had voted in favour of striking if the mediation did not result in an agreement.

Last year, the 1,000 union members, who are mainly women clerical workers, had to strike to win a contract from the university.

YUSA president Lauma Avens

said: "There's no question about it at all. We won the kind of contract we could accept because of last year's strike. That, and the 76 per cent strike vote this year, showed that our members have the guts and the courage to stand up."

Avens pointed out that if a settlement had not been reached by September 7, a strike by union members would have begun on the last day of registration of students at the university.

"It's the most perfect timing we've ever had — and the earliest we've signed a contract," she said. "We deserved more, but it was the best we could get without a strike."

YUSA members will earn close to \$11,000 a year under the new contract, Avens added.

The union is still waiting for an arbitration decision on whether its members have to make coffee when their bosses tell them to.

The union took the case to ar-

bitration after some supervisors insisted that secretaries had to make coffee for them, although the union had won a clause in last year's contract saying members did not have to perform duties of a personal nature, such as making coffee, balancing personal chequebooks or walking dogs.

Avens said she expects a decision within a month.

## Glad Bags, angry union

CPA — The United Steelworkers of America are organizing a Canada-wide boycott of Union Carbide products, including Eveready batteries, Glad Bags and wrapping materials, and Prestone antifreeze.

The boycott was begun to support 350 members of Steelworkers local 5987, who have been on strike at Union Carbide's plant in Beauharnois, Quebec since November 1978.

The main issues in the strike are safety and job protection. In the last five years, Union Carbide had reduced its work force at the plant by one-third by contracting out much of its production.

The members of local 5987 are also protesting the company's decision to reduce the number of employees required to operate each of the huge furnaces at the plant. Before the strike, one furnace exploded, killing five workers.

Union Carbide is one of the larger corporations in the world, and the twenty-first largest manufacturing firm based in the United States. The company had sales of about \$8 billion in 1978.



# News Update

## Canada Metal charges laid

The trial date for Canada Metal has been set for November 30. Canada Metal has been charged with releasing excessive lead concentrations into the air, impairing the quality of the natural environment, and failing to report excessive emission levels.

## Police powers: pig in poke

"Metro is asking the public to buy a pig in a poke," Alan Borovoy of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association told a Metro committee meeting on the proposed emergency powers by-law last week.

Borovoy pointed to two features of the by-law as particularly alarming:

- Citizens *must* provide assistance to the police if called upon, even at the risk of their lives.
- Police can enter premises during an emergency to enforce *any* statute. An emergency could thus be used as a cover for searching houses without warrants.

Borovoy called on the committee to specify just which powers police now lack, to clarify what is meant by an emergency, and to set a definite time limit, to be extended only by specific legislation, to a state of emergency.

Delegations from the Law Union, the United Electrical

Workers, the NDP, and the Communist Party of Canada also spoke.

The committee asked police chief Harold Adamson and the Metro Solicitor to respond to the submissions next month.

## City Hall plumber trial

The trial of former chief plumbing inspector Brian Risdon on charges of municipal corruption has been postponed once again. The new trial date has been set for March 3, 1980.

When the case finally comes to trial, it will be a full two-and-a-half years since Risdon's dismissal by a secret session of Toronto City Council in November 1977.

Earlier this month, the Supreme Court of Ontario upheld the Ontario Labour Board ruling that Risdon was improperly dismissed from his job as chief plumber by City Council. Risdon says he intends to sue the City for \$1 million for wrongful dismissal.

## Phone workers off hook

The Communication Workers of Canada voted on September 4, 5 and 6 to accept a Bell Canada contract offer. The vote was 78.7 per cent in favour of accepting the new contract, which reduces the amount of compulsory overtime to 16 from 32 hours in a four-week period. The workers also got their first wage increases since 1976.

# As we see it

## Toronto police—public control

The outcry in the local dailies against the police killing of Albert Johnson is disgusting and hypocritical.

In August, 1978 one of Metro's finest, Frank Barbetta, shot and killed a young man on Albany Avenue. The newspapers reacted to that killing with a flood of front-page stories which idolized Barbetta as "Supercop." And Barbetta was made an Inspector and put in charge of 55 Division, Toronto's biggest. Barbetta's victim was a teenager who had escaped from a detention home and was holding a girl hostage; the kid was armed with a knife.

As long as our society glorifies and celebrates police who are tough, intimidating, quick to pull a gun and its trigger, then police are going to continue to shoot people. And sometimes kill them. No one should be surprised.

However, since Johnson's killing, a militant, grass-roots movement has developed to oppose trigger-happy and bigoted elements among the police. Individuals and groups are organizing together to demand fundamental changes in the way the police force behaves and to whom it is responsible.

The only hope for changing the police is in supporting and working with this movement. Already, the pious outcry in the media has faded into ridiculous reassurances about the usefulness of Cardinal Emmett Carter as a "mediator" between the police and parts of the public. Left to themselves, the dailies will soon be content to let the issue die — as they did after the Morand and Pitman reports. They will revive it only when the next person is shot. And nothing will change.

Ideally, of course, there would be no need for police — or any other group of people set up to serve and protect the interests of some people at the expense of everybody else. Ideally, people would be able to take responsibility for their own lives and co-operate with and respect other people.

But that society is not going to appear next week, or even next year. In the meantime, we have to deal with police who do have guns and the right to use them virtually as they wish.

The key issue, the one that many groups are now emphasizing, is that police are not responsive to the public, and should be. We need real control over the police. We don't know how that control should be achieved: just putting elected politicians in charge is unlikely to be more than a first step. But clearly, the public rather than the police commissioners should control the police.

In addition to some new control mechanism, an independent civilian review board must be set up, with broad representation from a variety of communities in Metro. Such a board must have the power not only to review but also to order action on complaints against police. Attorney-General Roy McMurtry recently had the gall to say that civilian review boards can't work because everywhere they've been tried the police have refused to co-operate with them. If he really believed that "reasoning," he'd have to admit that the police can't work because criminals refuse to co-operate with them.

Two further demands:

First, for routine duties the police should be disarmed. If police had to justify the need to use a gun before they have a chance to shoot someone, instead of after they've killed, fewer people would get shot. And, if police didn't have the immediate option of solving a problem by pulling a trigger, they would have to work at developing some degree of rapport with the people — the public — they "serve and protect."

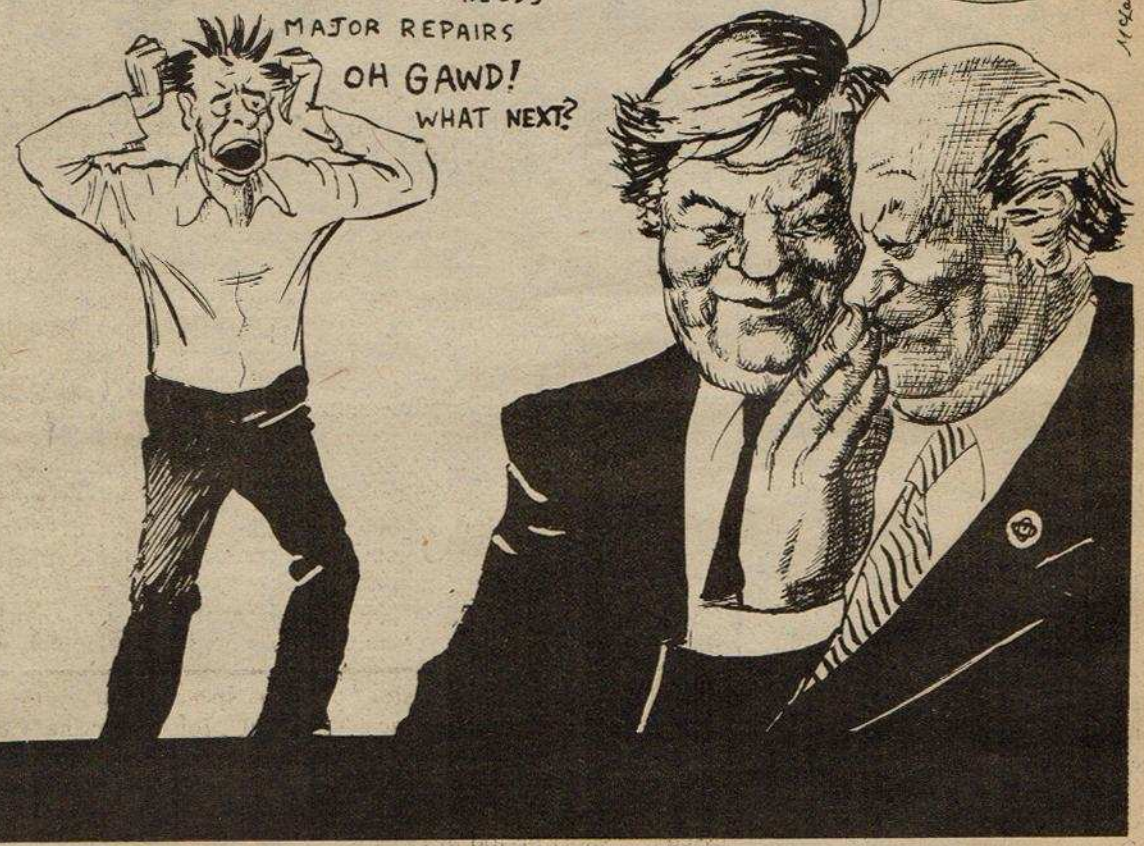
This system exists in England; police there don't carry a gun on their hips wherever they go. If England is falling apart, it has a lot more to do with Margaret Thatcher than with cops who don't carry guns.

And second, there must be drastic changes in police training, especially in race relations, the use of firearms and attitudes toward the community. Real changes in training may help solve the problem of police bigotry and racism.

However, public control of the police is the key to making any new rules or training programs effective. All the training, lectures and rules in the world won't make any difference if police remain a law unto themselves.

FIRST YOU SOLD ME  
AN UNSAFE NUKE POWER  
SYSTEM, THEN YOU CHOSE  
THE COMPANY WITH THE HIGHEST  
PRICE TO INSTALL IT...NOW  
YOU SAY THAT IT NEEDS  
MAJOR REPAIRS

WAIT 'TILL THE LITTLE  
JERK HEARS THAT  
WE'RE GONNA STIFF  
HIM WITH THE REPAIR BILL!



OH GAWD!  
WHAT NEXT?

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# As you see it

### Flying hairy

To the *Clarion*:

Ah, ironies. Thursday I phoned the *Clarion* to say, "Keep up the good work. Your last two issues were a big, big improvement."

Friday, I read Fred Mooney's column in the August 22-September 4 issue and I really took a flying hairy. (My nine-year-old tells me that means take a fit.)

Fred Mooney's comments on Thurman Munson's death were most unnecessary. A guy who sizzles to death in a fiery plane crash because he wants to see his wife and kids for a day should not become an object of contempt. Munson was a worker — though he certainly was high-priced help. He had asked to be traded so that he could be closer to his family, but the trade was refused and he died, it seems to me, escaping the rat-race and returning to the source of his humanity.

If we as leftists forget our humanity, our politics are for nought. Sarcasm, cynicism and snarkiness are fine as long as we continue to properly identify our enemies.

Let us not blame the victim in

our incessant attack on the culture or we will lose more friends than we will gain, and then — as the old nursery rhyme says — the cheese will stand alone.

Myra Novogrodsky  
Toronto

### boat people

To the *Clarion*:

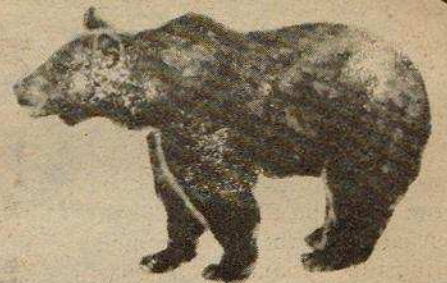
I was dismayed by your editorial of August 22 on the Vietnamese boat people. While I

share your concern that leftist refugees from Latin America are all but ignored by the Canadian government, I hardly think that the solution is to discourage the admittance of the boat people. By the time I finished reading your editorial I heard echoes of the recent advertisement of the right-wing National Citizens' Coalition.

The Coalition has launched an old-style Yellow Peril campaign and has suggested the

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## Bear faced lies



The Canadian Football League (CFL) has announced the appointment of Emmett Cardinal Carter as referee for the upcoming Hamilton Tiger-Cats/Toronto Argos football game. His Irrelevance will wear a black and white striped cassock with the symbol for infinity on the back.

The league office said that the conflict between Ticats and Argos was "a problem of communication" and that Carter was selected because of "his great skills as a communicator." His Irrelevance prays three times a day.

"I know nothing of football," His Irrelevance admitted. "But my rulebook says the lion shall lie down with the lamb, and I don't see why the Tiger-Cats and Argos can't do the same." Carter did not say what league the Lions and the Lambs play in.

Carter's appointment drew critical comment from Ticat owner Harold Ballard.

"Who needs a mediator?" he asked. "Any fool knows the problem. Get the Argos to stop blocking and tackling our boys and everything will be just fine. Tell Carter to go mediate with the Orange Lodge."

Meanwhile, a spokesperson revealed that the new job had forced Carter to hire a private agent to protect him from "extremist" fans. The spokesperson said the agent was "highly qualified."

"Within the shelter of His throne our saints have dwelt secure," he said. "sufficient is His arm alone and our defence is sure."

He declined to identify the agent.

Cardinal Carter is also considering an offer to mediate between Bulldog Brower and Psychopathic Psam in a forthcoming Intergalactic Championship wrestling match. "I will try to follow the teachings of the Lord Athol Layton," he said.

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## Immigration double standard

# When is a refugee not a refugee?

By Alan Meisner

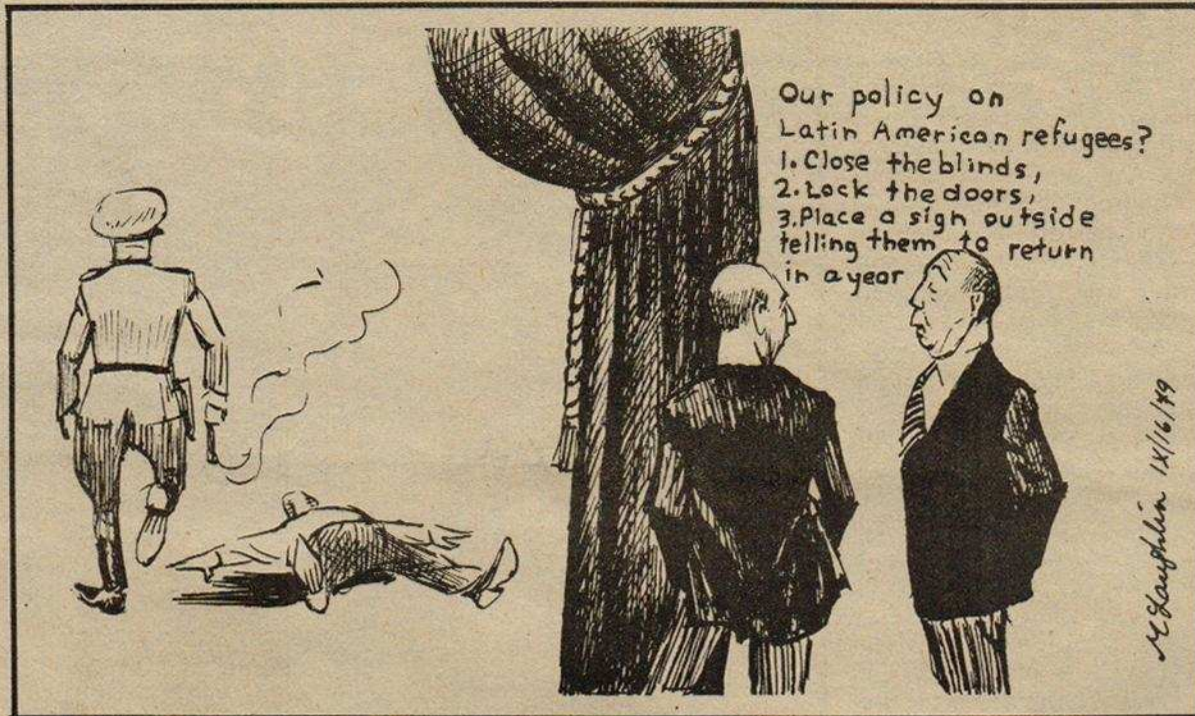
The government's recent announcement that the resettlement of 50,000 Vietnamese in Canada will be completed almost a year ahead of schedule stands in stark contrast to its restrained response to the plight of Latin American refugees and has left it open to charges of bias in the administration of its refugee policy.

While the government has bent over backwards to accommodate the flood of 'boat people', no such eagerness has been apparent in its treatment of Chileans since the fall of the Allende government in 1973.

And now in the case of Argentina — where an estimated 10,000 people have been killed, 17,000 have disappeared and at last 12,000 have been imprisoned since the military seized power in 1976 — the Canadian government's response has been characterized as "appalling".

According to the immigration collective of the Law Union of Ontario, an organization of progressive legal workers, "the Canadian government has failed in its commitments to Latin American refugees." In a brief on Canadian refugee policy, the collective alleges that the policies and practices of the Canadian government are not impartial and show a marked difference in the treatment of refugee groups.

"A review of the numbers accepted from various countries indicated a strong bias toward certain groups," the brief states. "The speed with which different groups have been processed also demonstrated a bias. For



example, 11,000 Czechoslovakians were processed and accepted in 1978 within a seven month period and 8,000 Hungarians were accepted and processed in a short period in 1956; however, it took Canada four years to process and accept 5,300 Chileans."

### No CANDU for Argentina

The Argentinian situation is even more instructive. One year after former Manpower and Immigration Minister Bud Cullen announced a plan to accept 100 Argentinian political prisoners as refugees, only two have arrived in Canada. The plan, which resulted from intense pressure by labour, academic, religious and human rights

groups spearheaded by the No CANDU for Argentina Committee, may be the most difficult test of Canada's humanitarian intentions thus far.

The No CANDU Committee is demanding that the Canadian government stop the sale of a CANDU reactor to the Argentinian junta until it allows the political prisoners to come to Canada. "So far 54 people have been interviewed and 38 have been accepted; but only the two have been allowed to come to Canada by Argentinian authorities," says Dr. Enrique Tabak, a spokesperson for the No CANDU Committee.

"What is needed is a strong statement" (No CANDU!) from the External Affairs Department that will hold the Argentinian government to its ac-

ceptance of the plan."

But such an action does seem likely. Even after St. John, N.B. longshoremen demonstrated July 3 by refusing to load a shipment of heavy water bound for Argentina (thus securing the release of another political prisoner), External Affairs Minister Flora MacDonald maintained that the Canadian government would refuse to use economic sanctions against the junta.

"You don't mix apples and pears," MacDonald said.

The committee has repeatedly asked both MacDonald and Immigration Minister Atkey to raise the issue of Candu sales at Cabinet meetings.

Meanwhile, International Trade Minister Michael Wilson has flown to Argentina in an ef-

fort to close the Candu deal. "Negotiations with Argentina are at a fairly crucial stage," Wilson said as he left Calgary September 11. He made no mention of refugee concerns.

The numbers of Argentinian refugees who have entered Brazil at a rate of 40 per month find themselves virtually ignored by Canadian immigration officials. The refugees, under the protection of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, are required to be processed for resettlement in a third country within six months. But Canadian processing often takes up to a year while other countries do it in less than a month, says Tabak.

### Families harassed

In addition, since Canada does not maintain a consulate in Rio de Janeiro, Tabak notes, those who apply are generally processed through the consulate in Buenos Aires. "Since those who apply are subsequently investigated with Argentinian authorities, this leaves one's family open to continuing harassment in Argentina."

"It's not that they can't process these people," says Barbara Jackman, a lawyer and the treasurer of the Association of Immigration Lawyers. "They've sent people to process the Vietnamese, but they haven't extra staff to deal with refugees from South America. It's not a priority." In 1978 Canada accepted only five Argentinian refugees from Brazil and a few so far this year.

Under Canadian law, people may be admitted as refugees if they qualify under the terms of the 1951 UN Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol, or they may qualify as members of one of the groups specially designated for humanitarian consideration under the Immigration Act.

### Discriminatory

Groups presently designated for special consideration include Eastern Europeans, Indo-Chinese and Latin Americans. But differences in the Criteria applied to each of these groups point to a double standard in the treatment of refugees.

"The regulations covering these groups of people are discriminatory," the Law Union brief continues. "They allow the admission of Indo-Chinese and Eastern Europeans as long as they are outside their country of origin and meet economic criteria. Argentinians, Chileans and Uruguayans, on the other hand, must be within their country of origin, meet economic criteria, and also prove that they are Convention refugees."

Under the UN Convention, which Canada signed in 1969 but which was not included in the Immigration Act until 1978, refugees are defined as those who are unwilling to return to, or unable to avail themselves of the protection of their country of origin; for reason of a well-founded fear of persecution be-

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## Media conference plans strategy to neutralize '1984' technology

By John Bellers

Invading a television studio is one way of getting coverage from a hostile talk show host, delegates to the first annual Grindstone Island conference on media and social change were told.

Ginny Smith told the group of 20 journalists and activists gathered for the Labour Day weekend conference about the TV studio "invasion" last month by seven people to interrupt the talk show of Toronto *Sun* columnist Clair Hoy. Hoy had previously written anti-gay articles in his column, and the seven invaders had just finished a three-day sit-in for gay rights at the offices of Ontario Attorney-General Roy McMurtry.

The "invasion" worked, and Hoy debated the seven on camera. The seven included gay academic and author John Allan Lee and Ken Hancock of the Toronto Movement for a New Society.

However, the sit-in hadn't worked as well. There was a print media blackout of the event with the exception of one article in the *Globe*.

The conference also dealt with media problems for organizers and other activists, including a session on "First Aid for Media Burns". During this



Ken Wyman of Oxfam acts as hostile interviewer with unionist Isabel Showler in conference role play session.

workshop, Ken Wyman of Ottawa told how CUSO staffers, instead of retreating or attacking when the *Globe* ran its campaign against CUSO for aiding liberation movements in Southern Africa, talked in a restrained manner with *Globe* reporters. The result was another article, this one favourable to CUSO, taking up most of one page.

"Activists have got to keep ahead of advances in media technology or else 1984 will be here and we don't be able to do anything about it," said Larry Gordon of the Grindstone co-op, one of the conference organizers.

Both Gordon and Wyman talked about the police-state aspects of the Telidon two-way TV, now beginning as a pilot project in Canada after a similar trial in Ohio.

"There is now a system (for two-way TV) that scans each set every 20 30 seconds, to tell what program you're watching. The network or the government could tell exactly which household was watching the U.S. president and which one was watching the heavy political stuff on another channel," Wyman said.

A film called *Before Hind-*

sight, produced by the British Film Institute and distributed by DEC Films in Toronto, showed what the "fairness doctrine" and the appeasement of Hitler sentiments in British ruling circles did to newsreel footage produced in the thirties. Newsreel producers and interviewers who worked for Movietone, Paramount and the March of Time in Britain at that time told of the pressure not to show anything on persecution of Jews in Germany until the late thirties. One independent group, Workers' Newsreel, did produce some anti-fascist footage, but its distribution was limited.

Resource people led individual hands-on workshops, such as how to operate a PortaPak and how to do Super-8 documentaries.

At the workshop on alternative media, participants and resource people analyzed the *Clarion*. Many found its articles interesting and worthwhile, but its headlines too strident.

Planning is already in the works for the 1980 conference on media and social change. There has already been one concrete result of the 1979 conference: the publication of a preview issue of *Immediate Action — The Journal of Media and Social Change*.

John Bellers

# Documentaries stand out



Will Sampson is Fish Hawk in Don Shebib's movie *Fish Hawk*.

By Wayne Sumner

For nine days earlier this month the fourth edition of the Festival of Festivals served up its usual delectable smorgasbord to film gourmets and gluttons alike. Three years of experience have produced a smooth operation with none of the hassles which marred last year's show.

The Festival screened close to 150 films (counting the special horror series), most of them to good houses. It is obvious that the demand in Toronto for films of quality, many of which have little hope of commercial distribution, has not slackened. Since it is not humanly possible to sample all of the Festival's offerings, what follows is a record of one viewer's idiosyncratic selection.

## Best Boy praised

Some of the best pieces this year were documentaries. Ira Wohl's *Best Boy* has been widely praised by others and deserves its enthusiastic response. Shot with handheld camera, it is an artless and poignant record of three years in the life of

Philly, a retarded man in his fifties. It is quite simply the most truthful and involving portrayal of mental retardation I have ever seen. Its techniques are in no way novel, but they remind us just how much can be accomplished by a natural style and a sympathetic eye.

Most distributors will not take the risk of handling documentaries (*Best Boy* may have had enough impact to be an exception). The Festival does us all a service by mounting some of the best documentary work available — this category deserves a place in all future editions.

Equally impressive, and much more disconcerting, was Stefan Jarl's *A Respectable Life*. Jarl is a young Swedish socialist who wants to use film to change conditions he finds intolerable. In 1968 he made *They Call Us Misfits*, a record of a group of adolescent boys on the streets of Stockholm.

Ten years later he returned to the same group, now in their late twenties. The contrast is devastating — youthful energy has given way to the burnt-out faces of heroin addicts who

shoot up in the subway toilet, drift in and out of prison and hospital, and die of overdoses.

Stoffe, one of the central figures in the 1968 film, overdosed and died during the two years Jarl spent making the new one. It's a grimy and unsettling look at what Jarl himself sees as the darker side of socialism, a society so centralized and efficient that it has alienated and discarded its own young.

While it is a documentary, *A Respectable Life* was screened as part of the Contemporary Swedish Cinema series. Here we had a chance to decide whether there is Swedish cinema after Bergman. Jarl's work is as decisive a break from Bergman's dark interiors as *Taxi Driver* is from *Bambi*.

Stylistically closer to the master is the work of Marianne Ahrne, who was represented by *Near and Far Away* (her first full-length feature) and *Roots of Grief*. The theme of both is the difficulty of contact and communication, a subject explored repeatedly by Bergman (most recently in *Autumn Sonata*).

## Canadian films disappointing

Ahrne's work will undoubtedly develop a richer and more subtle texture as she gains experience. Both films are rather forced and halting, with the self-conscious structure of an essay or lecture. Everywhere the director's control of events intrudes; she needs to relax her vigilance a little and let her story develop according to its own inner logic.

I wish I could find either promise or achievement in the Canadian films the Festival chose to mount. Don Shebib's *Fish Hawk* is a perfectly respectable entry in the Wilderness Family series but a little disappointing for those of us who still recall *Goin' Down the Road*.



Annicka Kronberg is Anita in Marianne Ahrne's *Roots of Grief*.

For once Québécois films were little better than their anglophone counterparts. Jean-Pierre Lefebvre's *Avoir Seize Ans* buries its subject — vandalism in a Quebec high school — beneath a pretentious and mannered style; the camera rolls endlessly down empty corridors while voiceover narration recites blank verse which sounds as though it had been lifted from the school yearbook. Under Lefebvre's direction no event is allowed just to happen; the viewer can barely perceive the action through the intervening text on experimental filmmaking.

By contrast *L'Hiver Bleu* (André Blanchard) achieves a pleasant match of subject and style. The story of the migration of two young girls from their village to the not-too-big city (Rouyn), is told in a simple and unaffected way. Were the film up to much, the package would be reminiscent of some of the better pieces by Jutra or Carle. But we are given little reason to concern ourselves with the principal characters and not enough wry observation of the locals to make up the deficit. However, I would go out of my way to see Blanchard's next film, in the hope that it is more ambitious. Lefebvre's ambitions already exceed his skills.

## Fine foreign films

The sorry state of Canadian films is especially tragic when other countries are doing so much better. Some of the Germans, as well as the Swedes, had good recent work to offer at this year's festival. Fassbinder's *The Marriage of Maria*

*Braun* and *In a Year With 13 Moons* will attract most attention, but I preferred *Knife in the Head* by the lesser-known Reinhard Hauff.

Finally, even the British are up to something. *Sailor's Return* (Jack Gold) and *SCUM* (Alan Clarke) provided two of the Festival's better moments.

Now that the Festival of Festivals has folded its tents for another year, the only hope for Toronto filmgoers is that New Cinema will pick up some of its better offerings. Without these two institutions, where would we be?

## Illusion an

### A One-Sided Debate

before sleep,  
green Buddha and Karl Marx  
work it out on the ceiling

Buddha running  
hard on analogies,  
good at pointing to  
rejectable material.

Marx listens hard,  
takes in the Buddha's eyes  
on him, waits  
till he is done,  
speaks to him —  
*You see as well as I,  
but your vision builds  
badly on what you see.  
You look at young men*



Lilga Kovanko is Mania and Robert Farrant is Mutist in Marianne Ahrne's *Near and Far Away*.

David Smiley

Barbara

Martha

David Smiley



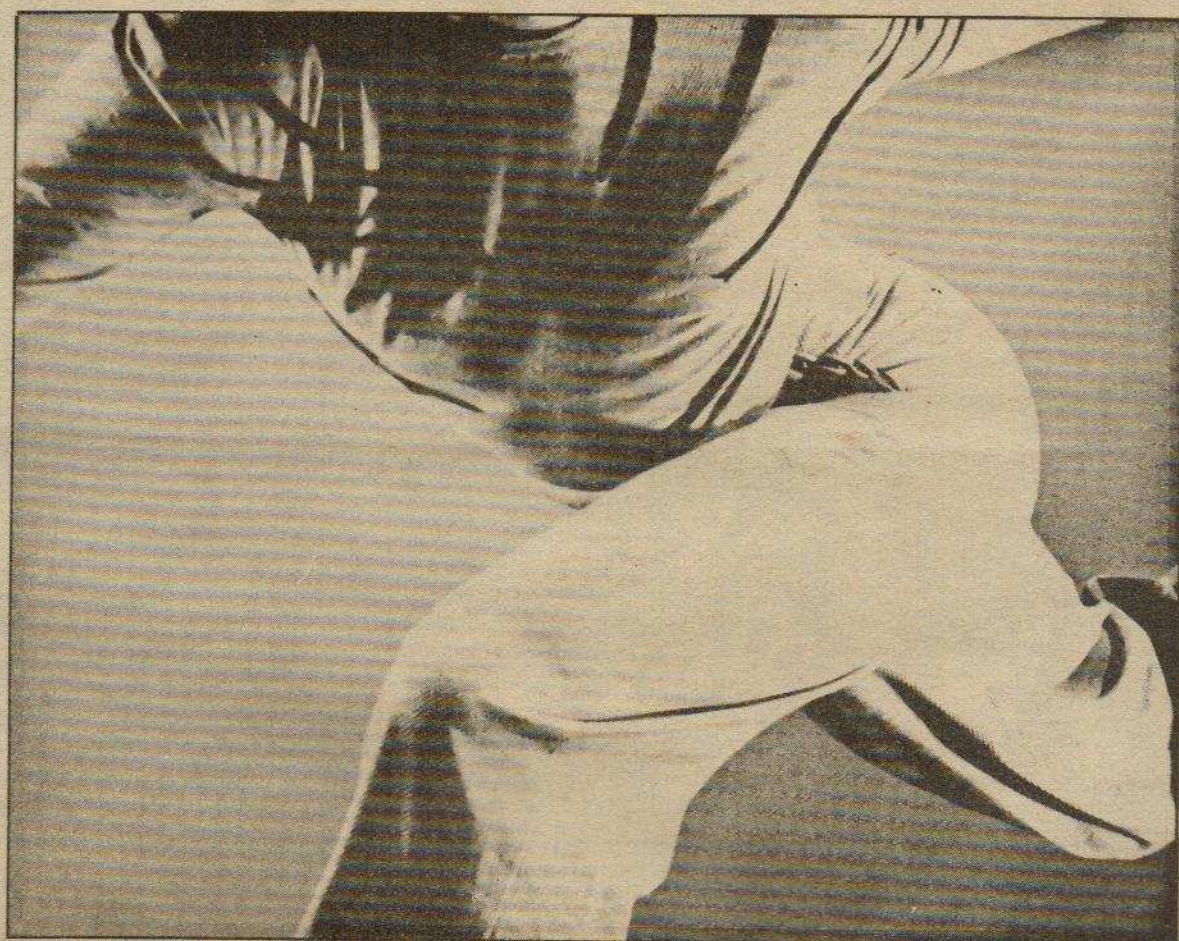
Barbara Morgan

## Morgan's photos excite and delight



Martha Graham — Lamentation

Barbara Morgan — 1935



Merce Cunningham — Root of the Unfocus (detail)

Barbara Morgan — 1944

By Klaus Müller

September 8 was warm and sunny and Baldwin Street friendly and alive when I exchanged greetings with an elderly woman who was putting refuse into the garbage can in front of the Baldwin Street Gallery of Photography.

The woman was Barbara Morgan. An exhibition of her photographs had opened with a party the night before. Inside the gallery owner/curator Laura Jones sat on a chair, nursing her baby. This was a good and quiet time to look at photographs and to talk with the artist who made them.

I was impressed by Morgan's naturalness and vitality. She has been photographing for many years, although at present some of her time is taken by the organization of an upcoming book of her work.

This book will be published by Morgan and Morgan, a company founded by her late husband and now run by her two sons.

Morgan has given attention to every detail of the production of her photographs, from the framing of the subject in the viewfinder to the processing of the print; her work therefore max-

imizes beauty and permanence.

This selection of her photos focuses mainly on subject and technique — the dance and the manipulated print.

The dance photos were taken of Martha Graham and her dance troupe, in the 30's and 40's. The results of the Morgan-Graham collaboration is a series of dramatic images which clearly illustrates the power of Graham's choreography. The photos can also be viewed simply as unforgettable images of the human body.

When Morgan came to photography from painting, after the birth of her second child, she continued to explore abstract expressionism. She sought to create this painterly reality in her photographs. To achieve her goal, she sandwiched negatives and printed them together; she double-printed; she laid objects on the print during the exposure in the enlarger. She did this always with great concern for composition and to illustrate a preconceived idea.

Barbara Morgan's photos will be on display at the Baldwin Street Gallery of Photography, 38 Baldwin Street, through September.

## on and savage irony: poems by Libby Scheier

ate

Marx

and speak of a burning house  
whose other pole is —  
nothing.  
I look at young men  
and see old men  
enclosing the young.  
Your sight is like  
(permit me, too, analogies)  
radio voices, heard clearly,  
then gone,  
not to another dimension,  
but gone.

My sight works only  
when there are things to see.  
Without reality  
there is not vision.

### Jim Jones Prose Poem No. 1

#### Is It Suicide?

is it suicide if you are surrounded by armed guards? is it suicide if you are surrounded by armed guards and walk off to the ovens? is it suicide if you are surrounded by armed guards and go over the top of the trenches to be shattered by gunfire? is it suicide if you are surrounded by armed guards and drink the kool-aid? do babies commit suicide? do families?

is it suicide if you are kept from the wealth of your country and the life of its people and you fill your veins with heroin?

is it suicide if your land is taken from you and your livelihood and your ways and you fill your liver with alcohol?

is it suicide if you are always told you cannot think and you cannot create and you must only breed and serve and be patient and you fill yourself with too many pills one day?

are there some murders we are overlooking? are there some paid killers in our midst we are overlooking?

Libby Scheier is a Toronto poet. Her poems and reviews have appeared in numerous Canadian magazines.

# CALENDAR

For free listing of your upcoming events send advance notice to Clarion calendar editor

## Thursday, Sept. 20

**Chess Tournaments** at Scarborough Chess Club, Porter Collegiate; 7 p.m.; Saturdays noon and Sundays 1 p.m. Tournaments are held throughout the year.

**Picket at the Philippine Consulate**, 111 Avenue Road, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., to protest the seven-year Marcos dictatorship.

**Good Beginnings through Good Parenting** is one of many topics to be discussed in a huge conference in celebration of the International Year of the Child. Sponsored by Toronto Board of Education and National Survival Institute. Displays, panels, addresses, fun and games, workshops, audiovisual presentations. The conference runs from Sept. 13 to Oct. 20 at various schools and community centres throughout the city. For further information and a program of events call the Board of Education at 593-4102 and ask about "Good Beginnings".

## Friday, Sept. 21

**Second Annual Fireweed Festival**, at Harbourfront. \$10.00 admission for the entire festival; \$4 Friday evening, \$3 Saturday afternoon and \$4 Saturday evening. For information call 364-7127.

**Forum on Philippine dictatorship** at 11 Madison Ave; 7:00 p.m. Speaker is Prof. D. Wurfel.

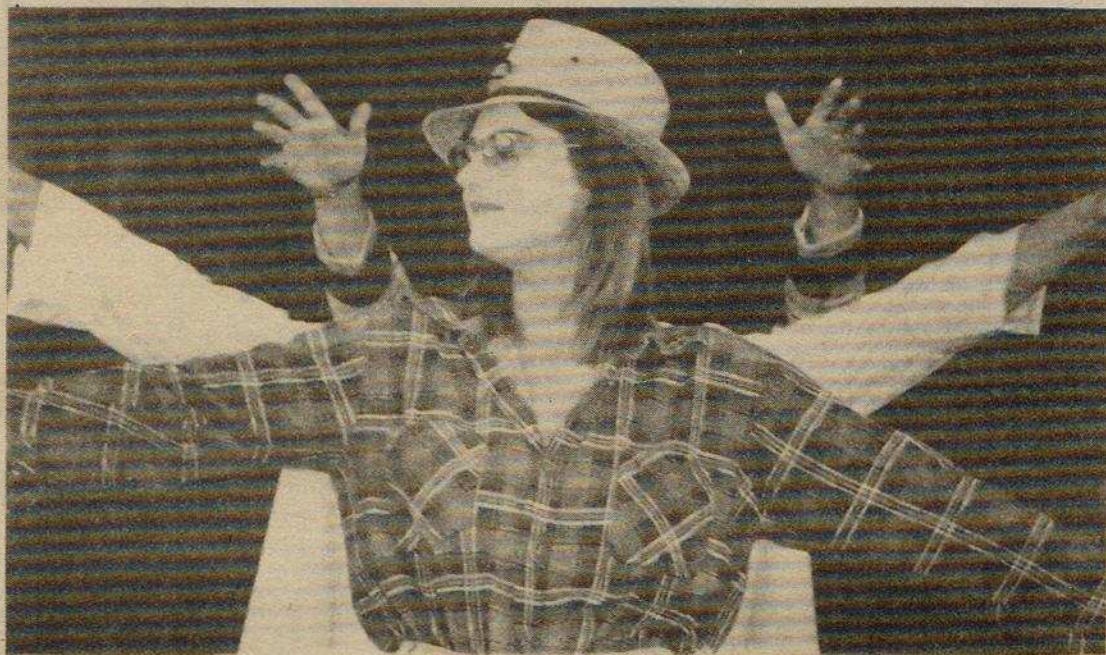
## Sunday, Sept. 23

**Palmerston library's great movie series: El Chacal de Nahueltoro**, at 8:00 p.m. Sponsored by SCM and COIC. The Palmerston Library is on Palmerston, just north of Bloor.

**Pears Cabaret**: free first run films, Sept. 23-26, "Gimme Shelter" at 9:00 p.m.

## Monday, Sept. 24

The Marxist Institute is sponsoring a course about *Capital, Volume II*, and another called "An Introduction to Marxism," 8 p.m.



Bernice Bradshaw

Kari Reynolds acts as a hydro tower in "Sizzle City, Women's Nuclear Reactions," a comedy-tragedy by Women Against Nuclear Technology presented September 9.

The play which includes lively songs, is a sendup of US President Carter's "energy

speech, a satirical portrait of Joe Clark's complicity, and a visit by three women to Pickering Nuclear Plant.

If your group would like a performance (45 minutes) of this feminist look at nuclear power, call Gay Bell (416) 536-4813.

at Lord Lansdowne Public School, 33 Robert Street, 8 p.m., call 536-4569 for further information.

## Tuesday, Sept. 25

**More Marxist Institute courses:** "Gay Liberation and Marxism," again 8 p.m. at Lord Lansdowne Public School, 33 Robert Street, call 536-4569.

**Chinchilla: a play about Diaghilev and the Ballets Russes** previews Sept 25 and 26, opens Sept. 27 at the Phoenix Theatre, 390 Dupont Street. Call 922-7835 for times and ticket prices.

## Wed. Sept. 26

**Marxist Institute Courses:** Capital Vol. I" and "Crisis, Class and Race. 8 p.m., Lord Lansdowne Public School.

## Correction

The person in last issue's front page photograph was incorrectly identified as Ed Clark, president of the Universal African Improvement Association.

**Mariposa Mainland Concerts** at Harbourfront, 8:30 p.m., Jim Ringer and Mary McCaslin, \$3.50.

## Friday, Sept. 28

**Cinema of Solidarity** — 1979 series. 8:00 p.m., Innis Town Hall, 2 Sussex (at St. George). Tonight *The Last Supper*. Series tickets are \$16 regular, \$12 students and unemployed; single showings are \$2.50 and \$1.75 students and unemployed.

**Women in Community:** 3 day conference on women and community life. Registration is \$30. Dandelion

Community, RR No. 1, Enterprise, Ontario K0K 1Z0. Call 613-358-2304 for further information.

## Monday, Oct. 1

**Free classes for immigrant women at the Cross Cultural Communication Centre**, 1991 Dufferin Avenue, 653-2223.

## Tuesday, Oct. 2

**Forum on Canada's export of nuclear technology.** 7:30 p.m., Innis College, 2 Sussex Street. Sponsored by OPIRG and Toronto Mobilization for Survival. Speakers are Dr. Ursula Franklin of the Science Council of Canada and John Foster of the United Church.

## Wednesday Oct. 3

**Black Cat Cabaret** presents *Meaningful Relationships*, previews till Oct. 6, opens Oct. 10. Café Madrid, 42 Hayden St., call 922-3151 for times and prices.

**Mariposa Mainland concert** at Harbourfront. Tonight at 8:30: Sneezy Waters and his excellent band; \$3.50.

## Thursday, Oct. 4

**A Renewable Energy Policy: Impact on Citizens.** Part of the "Good Beginnings" conference. This discussion is at the Education Centre Conference Room, 155 College Street, 8 p.m.

## Friday Oct. 5

**Cinema of Solidarity, *Dené Nation***, Innis Town Hall, see Sept. 28 listing for prices, 8 p.m.

## Saturday Oct. 6

**Lesbian Organization of Toronto (LOOT)** holds its annual fall benefit dance tonight, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. at St. Paul's Centre, 121 Avenue Rd. Admission is \$2.50, or \$2 with supporter card.

# LETTERS MORE LETTERS

From page 4

Additional solution for keeping Canada white by sending the Chinese to China. "China is the natural homeland of the overseas Chinese people who make up the vast majority of the refugees", the ad said. In your editorial, you said, "the Chinese should agree to accept any ethnic Chinese who wish to return to China." Why should the Chinese living in Vietnam go to China? You certainly did not suggest that refugees from Chile should want to go back to Spain.

The campaign that you promote would be much better directed at putting pressure on the Canadian government to allow in Latin American refugees. The government has placed barriers of various sorts in the way of Latin Americans. For exam-

ple, regulations for permitting the sponsorship of refugees from Vietnam are much more liberal than for sponsoring refugees from Chile.

By building a campaign around the discriminatory policies toward refugees from countries such as Chile, where Canadian businesses have vested interests, you will expose and attack the bias of the Canadian government. The campaign that you promote does nothing to aid refugees from Latin America, and results in alignment with the ultra-right in opposing admittance of the boat people.

Shin Imai  
Toronto

## Thanks

(Editor's note: We received a press release from writer Nancy White about a radio show she's

writing with Gay Claitman and John McAndrew. The show is called "Gee, What a Cute Dress Marjene"; it will be performed by Nancy, Gay, Keith Hampshire and Jerry Salzburg. It's about women, and it covers dating, beauty and diet, women at work, women at home, and women in media, and it starts October 6 at 11:30 a.m. We thought Nancy's accompanying letter was more interesting than her press release and, with her permission, are reprinting it instead.)

To the Clarion,

I just wanted to let you know that without your article on Holly Near (I never heard a thing about her — except for the posters), I would have missed one of the best concerts I've seen in ages. Thanks.

Enclosed is a sort of update; I imagine you will receive more stuff on "Gee, That's a Cute Dress, Marjene" (a new CBC radio program starting October 6 about various aspects of the lives of women — ed.).

We wanted to call the show

"The Nellie McClung Comedy Hour" but three weeks after we'd all agreed on the name (*Flare Magazine* held up its publication date for three days in order to get a photo of us and will be published with the Nellie name in it), Diana Filer, head of radio variety decided she didn't like the name and ORDERED us to change it.

The reasoning was that a) feminists would find the name offensive (the fact that we considered ourselves to be feminists, if of the relaxed, not very politically active kind, did influence her decision) and that b) there is an actual Nellie McClung living in Canada and she'd probably sue.

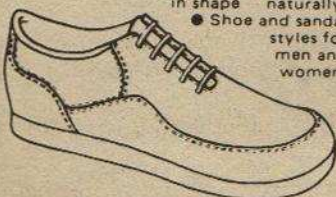
Do you believe this???? I did *Sunday Morning* for two years without those kinds of silly problems.

Thanks again for the Holly information. You just have to buy the *Clarion* to find out what is really happening. Take care,  
Nancy White  
Toronto

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## Marxist Institute Courses

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Gay Lib & Marxism— Sept. 25

Capital Vol. I— Sept. 26  
Capital Vol. II— Sept. 24  
Crisis, Class & Race— Sept. 26

The Jewish "Question"—Oct. 24

All classes will be held at Lord Lansdowne School, 33 Robert Street (enter from Spadina). Classes will begin at 8 p.m. and the registration fee is \$10. For more information call 536-4569.

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# Chavez visit kicks off new freeze on iceberg lettuce

Cesar Chavez, head of the United Farmworkers Union (UFW), was in Toronto last week to promote a major boycott campaign against non-union iceberg lettuce from California and Arizona. The *Clarion* interviewed him at St. Basil's Seminary, St. Michael's College.

*For the last year my mother has been asking me whether she can buy grapes and lettuce. What should I tell her?*

It's all right to buy grapes. Not because the grape growers are such good guys. It's just that we're not boycotting them at this time. On the lettuce — we're now conducting a boycott, so that certain lettuce coming from California is not OK to buy.

*Can people look for the UFW emblem on the crates of lettuce?*

Yes. Some of the lettuce is wrapped in the fields with the company label, but also it will have the union seal on it. What would be good to do would be to go to the store and say "I don't want any non-union iceberg lettuce."

*Tell us about the current situation in California.*

Our contracts with about forty growers expired January 1 and we couldn't get together with the employees, basically because our demands were high. We were working from a very low wage base and inflation is really taking a toll with the workers income.

We struck on January 19 and have been on strike ever since then. A number of unfortunate things have taken place, including the murder of one of our pickets, who was shot by 3 foremen. The companies very quickly went into Mexico and began to recruit people to come and break the strike, and then later on they went to Central America.

So they weren't moving until we began to press on them with the boycott. In the last three weeks we have gotten four contracts and we're at this moment negotiating three more, with about ten others tomorrow. So I think we are going to have a breakthrough.

*What about the Chiquita boycott?*

Last week we signed a contract with them so we called off the boycott against Chiquita, Morrell Meats, A. and W. and all those that are part of United Brands Corp.

*Had that boycott actually gotten off the ground or did they settle before it had a chance to hurt them?*

They signed in anticipation of it having a lot of effect. In the Chicano community in Los Angeles the boycott took hold because of the consciousness that has developed there and then in San Francisco we had picket lines and hurt them some. We got a tremendous amount of publicity nationwide and the corporation began to see the writing on the wall and gave in.

*Are you working primarily at negotiating contracts where you are already certified or is there still a large campaign around getting certified at new locations?*

Well, just temporarily we had to end the election drive because we put emphasis on the boycott. Some elections are taking place but mostly the workers are organizing themselves.

*Are you promoting anything beyond a consumer boycott? Like asking truckers*

*or store clerks, if they are unionized, to refuse to handle lettuce?*

We are doing a consumer boycott like we always do unless there is a good reason to do otherwise. Because of the legislation that surrounds the whole area of labour relations, the consumer boycott is the most effective anyway.

*Does the UFW organize farmworkers outside of California?*

We are and we have been for a number of years in Texas, Arizona, Florida, Oregon, Washington, New Mexico and Colorado.

*There have been a number of break-away groups from the UFW forming independent unions, the Texas Farmworkers Union and in Arizona the Maricopa County Organizing Project. Do you have fraternal relations with these groups?*

Well, they're trying to organize workers as we are and they're having, like we are, a very difficult time of it. The way I look at it, it is maybe not a bad situation when there's competition. We always do better when we have to extend ourselves because there is competition and I'm sure they'll do better too. But at this point none of us are having any luck organizing in those states.

*Their complaints are that the UFW is putting all its resources in California and is just unable to send as many organizers to other states as are needed.*

No, it's just there's a timing for everything and from our experience in the past the timing hasn't arrived yet to do more than we are doing. In Texas we have had our first convention. In that instance we are ahead of the other groups. We were able to put together a structure in Texas which is pretty good. We brought in about 1200 workers to the convention in February, about 300 delegates representing about 3500 workers. It's a long haul.

*One of the questions in the minds of a lot of people is union democracy. Can you describe the process of how decision making and policy making is done within the UFW?*

It's done through delegates elected by the members for the convention. That's how the policy is set. Those things that relate directly to their job, that's done through the collective bargaining process. Each group of workers meets to set their demands and elect a bargaining committee and then ratify what the bargaining committee brings back to them. The contract process is pretty democratic. The internal union matters decided at the convention then each



M.J. Leddy

ranch elects a committee as a local government for its affairs.

*I understand that the position of the UFW regarding "illegals" — undocumented immigrant workers — changed a couple of years ago from not organizing them to organizing them. Could you explain the process of how this change came about?*

No, you're wrong. There was no change. We'll never change our position. Some groups, because it served their politics wanted to make it appear that way, but we never changed.

*So what is your position regarding undocumented workers?*

Well, you know what it is now. You know enough so you know. It hasn't

changed. It's pretty much the same.

*Will you support Jerry Brown for president?*

They're all the same I suppose. I don't know.

*You said you see some breakthroughs coming. What will be the future direction of the union after winning the lettuce boycott?*

Well, just doing more of the same, organizing more workers. Basically just picking up where we left off before the boycott.

*Both inside and outside of California?*

Yes, we're committed to organizing wherever workers want the union. So it will be both inside and outside of California.

## Daycare Anniversary

Mime, music, and old photos of young children were featured as the Campus Community Cooperative Daycare Centre celebrated its tenth anniversary on September 6.

The Centre was one of Toronto's first parent-run coops. It has been a focus of the fight for free universal daycare since an Easter 1970 sit-in at Simcoe Hall forced the U of T to accept some responsibility for childcare for university members and the surrounding community.

Parents and children occupied a second building, on Devonshire Place, for 9 months in 1972 until the university agreed to its use as a centre for over-twos.

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## The old force is gone, and now...

# 400 Metro cops want out

By Pat Cunningham

"Where do you think policemen come from, the moon? I mean, really."

I had just asked my friend what percentage of the Metro Toronto Police force he thought might be racist.

"OK, you want a generalization, you'll get it. There are bigoted cops in Toronto; that's because there's a lot of bigoted people in this city. Read wash-room walls, for Christ's sake.

"You might not like it, I might not like it, the Toronto Star might not like it, but it's there . . .

"Why just stick cops with it? Why not some of your friends? You tell me you don't know someone who's bigoted."

It's three in the morning in a crowded all night restaurant. Just who the man I'm sitting with is, we'll leave blank. He is not a policeman. He has, however, worked closely with several police forces for many years on business security problems both professionally and socially. He considers himself to be a friend of the force.

He has reservations, however, about the trends we are seeing in Toronto police work today. Some of what he says is in the nature of a history lesson.

"Weird as it may sound, way back before the Toronto force was amalgamated into Metro, a

lot of recruiting was done in an informal way, by beat cops. In Cabbagetown, say, they'd size up the kids in their neighbourhoods, the gangs. They'd pick a guy with a clean record, maybe sometimes because he was too smart to get caught. They'd go to him when he got to the right age and ask if he wanted to consider joining up. Surprisingly, it produced good cops, tough cops."

Do we want tough cops?  
"Any day. Give me guys who grew up using their fists, they're a lot less likely to use their gun.

"I'll give you an example. You remember this guy. He was chasing this man up the back alleys of Yorkville years ago. He was on his motorcycle when two of the guy's buddies jumped him. They knocked him off his bike, tore his mike away and started whaling on him. He was handling them OK when the third guy came back and filled him in, put him in the hospital for a couple of weeks.

"Through all this, his gun remained in his holster. He was asked why he didn't use it and he answered, 'Why? They didn't have them.'

Is morale in the police department really as bad as is alleged?

My friend laughs. "Morale? It goes up and down, but I'll tell you this. Our police force of, say, ten years ago doesn't exist anymore, the men are gone. You want to find the old Tor-

onto police force? Go to York Regional, go to Peel Regional: they're working there.

"Right now there are over four hundred applications in with surrounding Regional forces from Toronto cops. That's nearly ten per cent of the entire outfit.

"You know, policemen seem to come in waves. After the Korean war, there were the soldiers. They made good cops, tough men who understood guns and what they could do. Later there was the Scottish police invasion. Good guys, from Glasgow, a lot of them. Didn't care much for guns, it's the British bit, I guess.

"So many of those guys are gone now. In many ways you have a new police force."

In the 1976 Royal Commission into Metro Toronto Police Practices, Justice Morand noted that "358 of the (Metro) officers have grade 13 certificates, 2,022 have graduated from grade 12, and the balance of the force has at least completed grade 10." The 'street-wise' kids who were used to living with different cultures and the occasional street fight or beating no longer qualified.

My friend made the statement that the Metro force "used to get the cream of the working class, and now gets the bottom of the middle class."

### "Morale not good"

A week later, I talked to Mal Connolly, president of the Metro Toronto Police Association. He confirmed that there are over four hundred Metro police with applications in to join other forces surrounding Toronto.

Anger over the recent killing of Albert Johnson has aggravated an already tense situation. According to Connolly, "police morale is . . . not very good."

Connolly denied charges of

## Quebec cops shoot to kill

The following open letter to Québec Justice Minister Marc-André Bédard has been translated and condensed from the August 29 issue of *Le Devoir*. The author, Jean-Claude Bernheim, is a spokesperson for the Prisoners' Rights Organization.

The inquest into the death of Jean-Marc Patenaude has just ended. Coroner Roch Héroux rendered a verdict which has become a classic in the annals of homicides committed by police officers. On Aug. 16, Héroux stated: "The said Marc Patenaude died a violent death November 28, 1978, in Montréal. There is no criminal blame attributable to anyone."

M. Héroux once again displayed great resolution in the face of all odds; he stuck fast to the police version of the matter.

A Québec police officer has never been held responsible for a homicide executed in the course of his duty.

In November, 1978, a warrant was issued for Jean-Marc Patenaude, who allegedly had had a fight with Detective-

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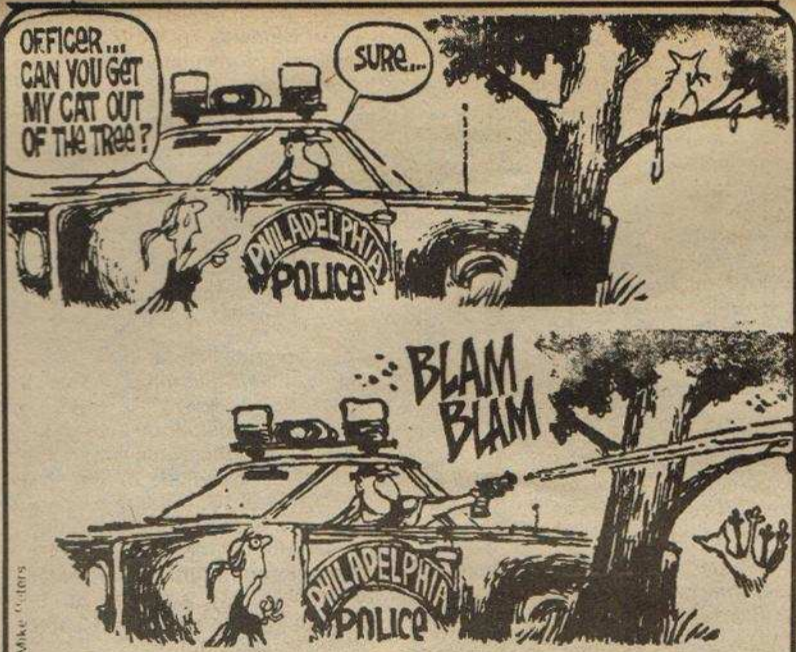
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## Philly force sued

On August 13 the U.S. government sued the entire Philadelphia police department, including 20 city and police officials.

The unprecedented suit charges the department with "across-the-board brutality" and indiscriminate violation of the civil rights of the city's citizens.

The Justice Department named Mayor Rizzo, the city medical examiner, the city prison director and numerous top police officials in the suit. It particularly targeted the police department for its use of deadly force, its street procedures, its failure to adequately investigate complaints of abuse, its reluctance to discipline officers, insufficient training and harassment of critics, (primarily third world) both within and outside the department.

According to the Justice Department, 75 people are shot by Philadelphia cops every year and there are 1100 civilian complaints yearly against the police. Some 150 have been killed by the police in the nearly eight years since Rizzo has been mayor; half of them have been shot while unarmed.

From the *Guardian*; August 22, 1979.

racism levelled against the force, saying that "all policemen have ever asked is to have their actions judged according to law" and "rash statements do not help the situation at all."

I asked for Connolly's reaction to Mayor Sewell's statement that people should blame police management for the violence, not the working policeman. He said, "Mayor Sewell talks out of both sides of his mouth on this issue."

The annual reports of the Metro police confirm my friend's allegation that we have a new force in the last nine years, or at least half a new one.

Forty-three per cent of Metro's working cops (those below the rank of inspector) have resigned, been fired or have retired. Most of these left in the

space of three years: 1974, '75 and '76.

In this same period the force grew tremendously in size, increasing from 3,390 in 1970 to 5,239 in 1978.

The early '70s also saw the development of specialized squads such as the Emergency Task Force (ETF) and Community Relations — the end result of which seems to be the isolation of the average police officer from these specialists.

At the same time, there was a superficial reform in ranks. The rank of Detective disappeared (they became Sergeants) but manpower allocations to the various police functions remained the same.

We're living with a rookie force that differs substantially in attitudes and style of operation from that of a decade ago.

Sergeant Ostiguy of the racket squad.

On the night of November 27, the Montreal police tactical squad surrounded Patenaude's house on Notre Dame East.

These comic book heroes,

sporting toques, bulletproof vests, an M-16 machine gun and two 12-gauge shotguns, broke down the door of Patenaude's house with a 50-pound ram and courageously sprayed the

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## Natives join march

By Carl Stieren

Toronto's native people, who also have been harassed by police, are joining Metro blacks and other minorities

The Action Committee Against Racism is planning a march on Oct. 14 at Toronto City Hall.

"We are going to start mobilizing the native community because the last murder the police committed — that of Albert Johnson — could have happened to a native person," said native organizer Vern Harper.

"We have a number of people who drink at the Silver Dollar, and they get harassed by police a lot.

"I went in there a year ago to

look for a friend.

"Even though I hadn't taken a drink for five years, a policeman threatened to take me in as a drunk after I came out, and when I said, 'Go ahead and try it,' he made a racist remark.

"I complained to another division of the police, but it never did any good."

Harper, who is the author of the new book, *Following the Red Path*, about the Native People's Caravan and its march to Ottawa in 1968, also has a complaint against the RCMP.

"A friend of mine in Ottawa — a reliable person — told me the RCMP are intimidating some bookstores not to take my book."



# Refugee facing deportation has passport marked 'dissenter'

By Cathy Pike

A decision by federal Employment and Immigration Minister Ron Atkey is expected any day now on the case of Galindo Madrid, a Chilean political refugee who has been ordered deported from Canada.

Should Atkey decide to proceed with the deportation order despite the public support shown for Madrid, he will be sending Madrid to imprisonment, torture and possibly death.

Madrid was almost deported on June 14. Immigration officials intended to put Madrid back on the same ship from which he escaped at Squamish, B.C., in May, 1977.

The captain of the ship had threatened to return him to Chile, upon learning that Madrid planned to seek political asylum. Madrid fled the ship and only the intervention of his supporters and some MPs won him a stay of deportation and a ministerial review of his case.



Recently, evidence has come to light of the infamous "L" designation on Madrid's passport. The "L", according to George Cram, secretary to the Canadian Parliamentary Enquiry on Human Rights in Latin America, "signifies that the bearer has been designated as a political exile and cannot return to Chile without jeopardy."

Madrid's activities in Chile made him an enemy of the Chilean regime. Within days of his arrival in Canada, Madrid

spoke to the news media about the repression he had experienced, including the evidence of torture and murder he had witnessed. His claims were widely reported in this country and in his homeland.

Newspapers controlled by the Chilean junta printed articles about Madrid, noting that he had publicly called for opposition to the junta.

## Student leader

Madrid had been a student leader in high school for three years before the 1973 coup that toppled the Allende government in Chile. He had been active in support of the Allende regime.

After the coup, Madrid was arrested and tortured. Upon being released, he resumed political activity, but clandestinely.

Madrid was drafted into the Chilean army in 1975. His first assignment was to hide evidence of torture and mass murder at a concentration camp to be inspected by foreign visitors.

Having finished a compulsory two years' service, Madrid was drafted a second time and ordered to report for duties at an army base close to his home town. He realized that there he might be recognized and denounced for his former political activities by informers. He therefore deserted, left Chile, and applied for political asylum in the first available country, Canada.

## Legal thickets bar appeal

Canadian immigration authorities denied Madrid refugee status when he jumped ship on the west coast; they ordered him deported. Madrid prepared a more detailed application for refugee status and the Immigration Appeal Board, which concentrated on small differences between the two statements he had submitted to the Immigration Department, denied his appeal and upheld the order.

The Federal Court of Appeal also dismissed Madrid's application, giving no reasons, requiring no statement by the Crown attorney, and taking no time for consideration after the hearing. That Court refused to accept evidence that Madrid's life was in danger; its concern was only whether the Immigration Appeal Board had acted within its jurisdiction.

The reluctance of two successive Canadian governments to afford refugee status to Madrid and other victims of right-wing dictatorships in Latin America, at a time when Canadians are being urged to extend a welcome to 50,000 Indochin-

ese refugees, only reflects Canadian foreign policy. Our federal government encourages and subsidizes investment by multinational corporations that serve as major economic buttresses to the authoritarian regimes in Latin America.

Supporters of asylum for Galindo Madrid, among them the Canadian Labour Congress, the Confederation of Canadian Un-

ions, Ed Broadbent, Dennis McDermott, the Inter-Church Committee on Human Rights in Latin America, chapters of Amnesty International and many others, have expressed their support through telegrams, letters and phone calls to Employment and Immigration Minister Atkey. *Clarion* readers are invited to do the same. A defense committee has been formed. Its Toronto number is 253-6797.

## Double standard

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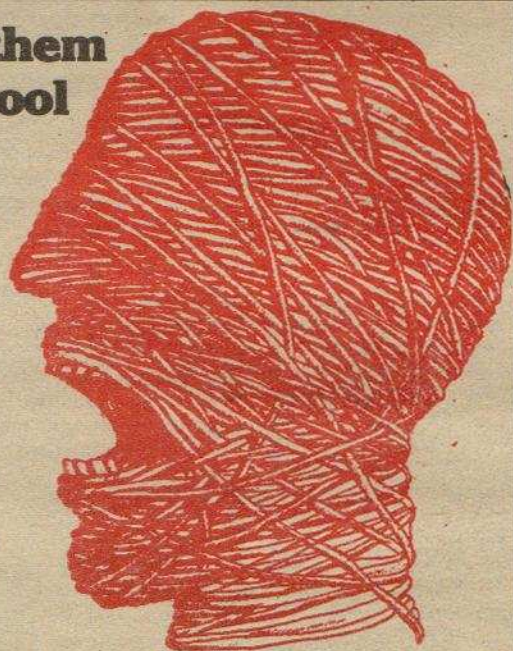
cause of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group or political opinion.

But Convention status is often difficult to demonstrate to the satisfaction of Canadian authorities. According to the Law Union, economic discrimination is not sufficient grounds for claiming fear of persecution, nor, by itself, is subjective fear. A person must present real and reasonable evidence to substantiate fear.

"For Latin Americans to demonstrate that their lives are in danger in their own country," says Tabak, "they often must present scars or other evidence of torture or imprisonment."

"The Immigration Department has maintained a very restrictive definition of who qualifies as a refugee," says lawyer Jackman. "And what's more, procedures may vary from office to office, with little or no possibility of review for those whose refugee status has been determined outside Canada."

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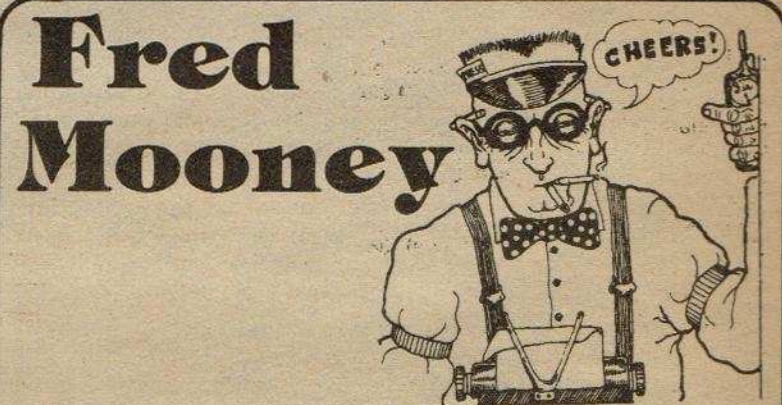
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## Fred Mooney

The new U of T athletic complex at Harbord and Spadina will open officially September 21. But don't expect to use the track: community members are still getting the same old runaround.

U of T is selling 500 annual memberships — full use of the facilities — at \$200 each; more than 400 have been sold so far. The university has offered the rest of us (through the city department of Parks and Recreation) use of the track and swimming pools for a total of 18 hours a week. In return, the city will pay variable costs — a share of heating and filtration for the pool, lifeguards, a supervisor for joggers — but no rent.

Not a bad deal. But Parks and Rec haven't OK'd it. Summer vacations, missed phone calls, trouble contacting residents' associations: there are reasons for the delay, but none of them will get you into the water September 21.

Enough (as my cousin the mathematician says) is enough. Phone. Write. Hire the Goodyear blimp. But pressure Parks and Rec Director Hugh Clydesdale to put community use back on the tracks.

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Still at U of T: there's a new jock joke.

"The Shepherd is my Lord."

R.T. Shepherd, an exercise physiologist, is the new director of the School of Physical and Health Education.

One of Shepherd's first acts as director was to circulate a memo (Memorandum No. 001) introducing himself to the staff. The memo included his qualifications — CV, several pages of publications — and a few more personal touches.

The director listed his hobbies as stamps and singing in a church choir. Under "physical activities," he wrote: "Nil."

"So what's wrong with that?" says Tom, the Leaf fan who lives upstairs. "You want them to make a platypus head of Zoology?"

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Not every athlete plays hockey. But most are on the right wing all the same.

Especially football players. Just take a look at some of the politicians who've graduated from pigskin to pig.

Peter Loughheed and Steve Paproski of the Eskimos and Tories. University of Michigan gridiron great Gerry Ford. No wonder Washington columnist Nicholas von Hoffman says, "One of the few good things about the Kennedys is that none of them was good enough for the football varsity."

Maybe it's tied in to the macho mood of the resurgent (they breed like rabids) Right. The ideal is a tough mind in a tough body: "Sure, children are hungry and the sick don't get well, but we'll balance this budget or (they'll) die trying."

These days, their hottest U.S. headliner is Jack Kemp, now a congressman from New York state and once the strongest (right) arm in the NFL. Kemp's new book — *An American Renaissance: A Strategy For the 1980s* — calls for cuts in income and capital gains taxes and a return to the gold standard. The poor, the sick, the blacks can all take a hike, says quarterback Kemp.

Watch for him as a long-shot Republican candidate for president in 1980.